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PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS: Almighty God, in His divine providence, has endowed mankind with the ability to wrest his sustenance from the soil; and,

WHEREAS: Farming involves rural living, in the face of strong trends toward a greater concentration of population in urban areas; and,

WHEREAS: If the family farm is to be preserved in all its vigour tomorrow, then the people of today must understand that its preservation offers them not only opportunity but challenge; and,

WHEREAS: The need for a strong rural youth with a spiritually-motivated sense of values is paramount to the preservation of our Country Beautiful; and,

WHEREAS: The values and the spiritual and material opportunities that exist for country living in America are annually stressed by the National Catholic Rural Life Conference through its sponsorship of Catholic Rural Life Week; and

WHEREAS: Said Catholic Rural Life Week annually emphasizes the need for family prayers; for soil and water conservation; and for home-grounds beautification and,

WHEREAS: Catholic Rural Life Week with its year "round Country Beautiful program in 1968 puts added emphasis on the responsibilities of rural youth through the theme: "Rural Youth--For God, Home, and Country," and,

WHEREAS: March 22 is the feast of the patron of farmers, Saint Isidore,

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Jon Foss, Governor of the State of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim the week of March 16-22, 1968, as

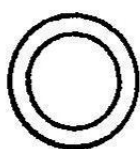
CATHOLIC RURAL LIFE WEEK

in South Dakota, and request all citizens to join in this observance.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of South Dakota to be affixed this 10 day of March 1968.

ATTEST:

Clara Hall
Secretary of State



Jon Foss
Governor of South Dakota